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Dear Sir:

In response to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Action dated March 25, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire April 25, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 2 of this paper.